

LOWELL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: September 9, 2020

Time: 6:30PM

Location: City Council Chamber, 375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA 01852

1. SALUTE TO FLAG

2. ROLL CALL

On a roll call at 6:38 p.m., members present were, namely: Ms. Martin, Ms. Clark, Mr. Descoteaux, Mr. Dillon, Ms. Doherty, Mr. Hoey and Mayor Leahy.

3. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

3.1. Communication Remote Participation: Members Of The Public May View The Meeting Via LTC And Those Wishing To Speak Regarding A Specific Agenda Item Shall Register To Speak In Advance Of The Meeting By Sending Email To The Superintendent Indicating The Agenda Item And A Phone Number To Call So That You May Be Teleconferenced in to the meeting. Email Address Is mpalazzo@Lowell.k12.Ma.us. If No Access To Email You May Contact at 978-674-4324.

4. PERMISSION TO ENTER

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Mayor Leahy made a motion to direct the Superintendent to begin negotiations with the Archdiocese regarding the St. Louis School; seconded by Mr. Dillon. 7 yeas APPROVED

5. REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

5.1. Facilities Update

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5.2. School Reopening Update

Bridget McNulty registered on spoke on the School Reopening Update.

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Mr. Dillon made a motion to adjourn at 8:49 p.m.; seconded by Mayor Leahy. 7 yeas APPROVED

Respectfully submitted,

Joel D. Boyd, Ed.D., Superintendent and Secretary to the Lowell School Committee

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